



The descriptive book thus:

Name of grantee.	Date of instrum't.	Description of Land.
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The index book thus:

Names of grantees.	Pages of Transfer book.
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**Book of plats.** SEC. 3. The Recorder shall keep a book of plats, showing the number of lot and block, or township and range, divided into sections and sub-divisions as occasion may require; and he shall designate on said plats each piece of land or town lot, and mark in pencil the name of the owner thereon in a legible manner. Said plats shall be lettered or numbered so that they may be conveniently referred to by the memoranda of the transfer book; and shall be drawn on a scale of not less than four inches to the mile.

**Designate each tract.**

**Scale.**

**Duty of Recorder.** SEC. 4. Whenever a deed of unconditional conveyance of real estate is presented for record, it shall be the duty of the Recorder, after filing the same for record and previous to recording the same, to enter in the index book, in alphabetical order, the name of the grantee, and opposite thereto the number of the page of the transfer book on which such transfer is made; and upon the transfer book he shall enter, in the proper columns, the name of the grantee, the name of the grantor, the date of filing, date of instrument, the character of the instrument, the description of the property, and the number or letter of the plat on which the same is marked; and, also, the number of the page of the description book, if it becomes necessary to enter the description therein.

**What shall be entered on book.**

**Irregular description.** SEC. 5. If the land or town lot is described in the deed by metes and bounds, he shall enter the same upon the descriptive book as follows: 1st, The name of the grantee; 2d, A minute description of the land.

**Entered minutely.**

SEC. 6. After the Recorder has made the entries contemplated in the last two preceding sections, he shall endorse upon the deed the following words: "Entered for taxation this.....day of..... A. D.....," with the proper date inserted; and shall sign his name thereto. For every such transfer the Recorder shall be entitled to receive fifteen cents from the person presenting the deed.

Endorsement

On deed.

SEC. 7. As a basis for said transfer, the Recorder shall take the tax books of the year 1865 and copy into said transfer book the name of the owner of each piece of land or town lot, as shown on said tax books; and in order to accomplish the same, it is hereby made the duty of the Treasurer to designate on the tax list opposite each piece of land or town lot, the name of the owner thereof, as shown by the last payment of taxes, for which the Board of Supervisors shall allow as compensation fifteen cents per hundred words.

Tax book of 1865.

Duty of Treasurer.

Compensation.

SEC. 8. The Recorder shall correct the transfer books from time to time, as he shall find them incorrect.

Recorder shall correct.

SEC. 9. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in each county shall, on the second Monday of January, A. D. 1867, and every two years thereafter, furnish (in books provided by the Board of Supervisors, and ruled and headed as now required by law) each Township Assessor in his county, a complete list of all the real estate in his township, subject to taxation, together with a plat or plats of the same; and said list shall be so arranged as to present the owner's name in alphabetical order, and each piece shall be designated in its proper place on said plat or plats and checked by the Assessor as the valuation is placed upon it.

Duty of Clerk

Assessor to be furnished with lists.

Assessor check plat.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of each Township Assessor, to place the valuation upon each tract of land or town lot in his township, and return the same, together with the personal property, to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, as now required by law. The Assessor shall also note any errors he may find in the assessment lists furnished him by the Recorder, and report the errors to the Recorder, who shall correct the same on transfer books and assessment lists, if upon examination, he finds it necessary.

Assessor to value land.

Personal property.

Note errors.

Recorder to correct.

SEC. 11. In order to carry out more fully the provisions of this Act, it is hereby made the duty of the Auditor of State to furnish county Recorders with all such forms and instructions as he may see fit; and the

Duty of Auditor of State.

said Recorder shall observe and carry out such forms and instructions.

Repeal.

SEC. 12. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed.

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## CHAPTER 62.

### COURTS IN TWELFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

AN ACT fixing the time of holding Court in the Twelfth Judicial District.

Additional term of Court in Bremer county.

When begun. How long continued.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That in addition to the terms of said Court now appointed by law to be held in the county of Bremer, in said District there shall be held in and for said county, a term of said court, to be begun on the first Monday of January, in each and every year, with power to said court to continue said session until the business then pending therein shall be disposed of.

Approved March 26th, 1866.

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## CHAPTER 63.

### LEGALIZING ACTS OF R. N. CRESAP.

AN ACT to legalize the official acts of Roger N. Cresap, a Notary Public, of Van Buren county, Iowa.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The commission of Roger N. Cresap, a Notary Public, of Van Buren county, expired in November A. D. 1865; and, *Whereas*, The said Roger N. Cresap, performed official acts as Notary Public, after the time his commission expired said Cresap acting in good faith and not knowing that his commission had expired; therefore,

Acts as Notary legalized.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That all of the official acts of the said Roger N. Cresap, by him performed as a Notary